

# Alaska Local and Regional Information

## Workforce Info

### Buckland

Buckland is an incorporated second class city located on the west bank of the Buckland River, about 75 miles southeast of Kotzebue. Buckland is part of the Northwest Arctic Borough.

- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 458, a gain of about 52 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 71 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ♦ Local Government was the main industry in 2008, employing 41 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators than any other occupation.

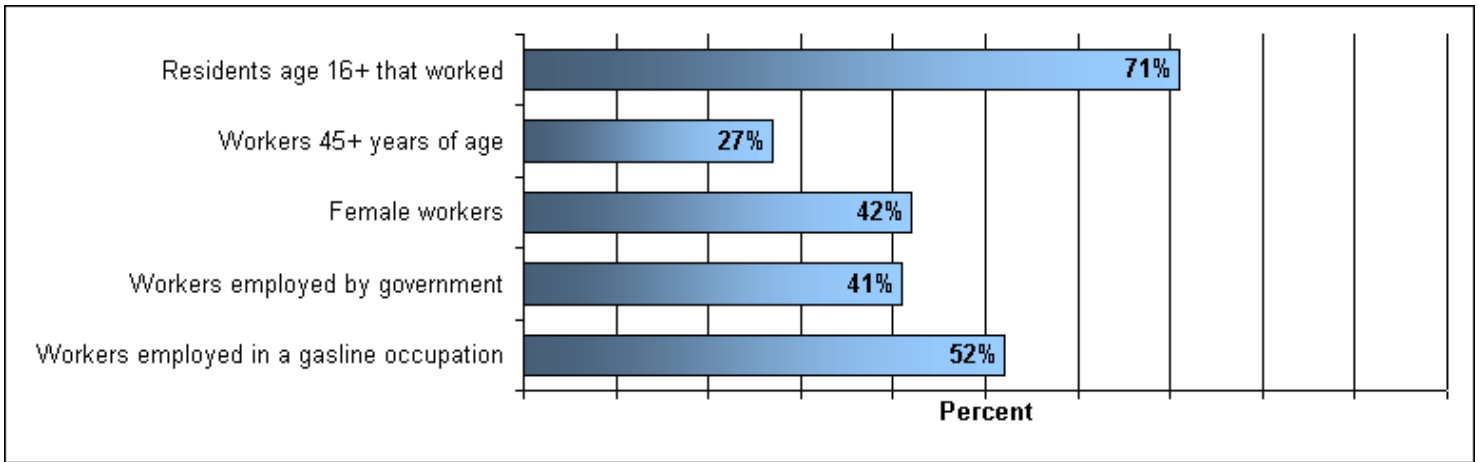
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

#### Buckland Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	271	Total wages	\$4,002,328
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	193	Private	114
Male	111	State government	0
Female	82	Local government	79
Age 45+	52	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	33	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	155
		Percent working all 4 quarters	45.1%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	51	Some construction	68
		At least 1 year construction	31
		At least 2 years construction	6
New Hires		Worked in an <b>AGIA</b> occupation	170
New hires	85		

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## 2008 Residents

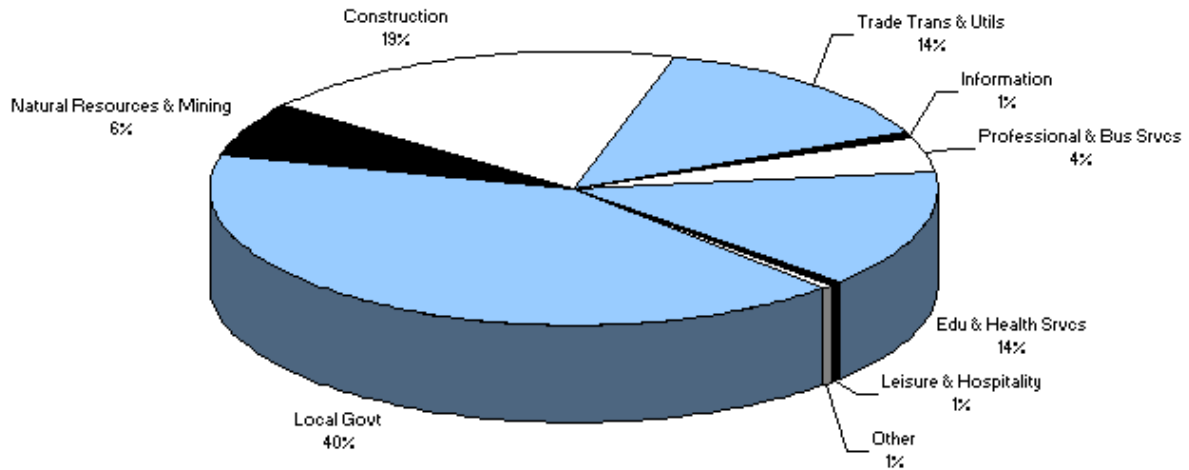


## Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators <b>AGIA</b> <b>HOT JOB</b>	24	8.3%	7	5
Cashiers	12	91.7%	1	0
Teacher Assistants	12	83.3%	2	2
Helpers--Carpenters <b>AGIA</b>	11	9.1%	3	2
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners <b>AGIA</b>	10	10.0%	0	0
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers <b>AGIA</b>	7	28.6%	1	0
Plant and System Operators, All Other <b>AGIA</b>	6	0.0%	1	0
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners <b>AGIA</b>	5	40.0%	4	4
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	5	40.0%	5	4
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Workers, All Other	5	80.0%	3	2

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## Resident Workers by Industry



### Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	12	8.3%	2	1
Construction	37	5.4%	12	8
Manufacturing	0	0.0%	0	0
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	27	63.0%	4	1
Information	*	*	*	*
Financial Activities	0	0.0%	0	0
Professional and Business Services	8	37.5%	1	1
Educational and Health Services	27	74.1%	7	6
Leisure and Hospitality	*	*	*	*
State Government	0	0.0%	0	0
Local Government	79	48.1%	25	15
Other	*	*	*	*
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0

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### Recent Unemployment Statistics

	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	28	25	21	24

\*\*UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

## Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Soa Village Safe Water Buckland Project
Northwest Arctic Borough School
Buckland City Council
Maniilaq Association Inc
Buckland IRA Council
Buckland Native Store
Teck Cominco Alaska Inc
Kumaks Store
Nana Management Services LLC
Nana/Lynden Logistics LLC

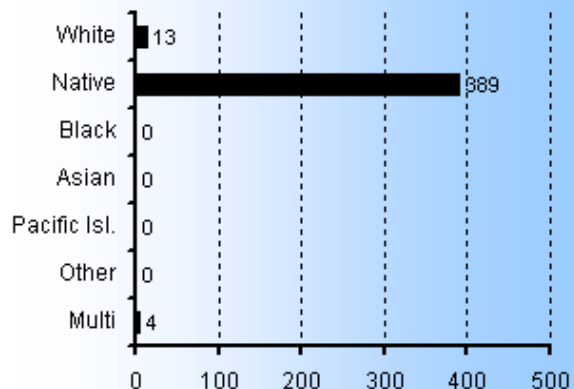
**Population over Time**



**2000 Census**

Median Age	17.8
Average Family Size	5.2
Average Household Size	4.8
Per Capita Income	\$9,624
Median Family Income	\$40,000
Median Household Income	\$38,333

**Population by Race**



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section  
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